



WASHINGTON STATE NURSING CARE QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION
PRACTICE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes for the Special Meeting on September 8, 2004 -3:00PM to 4:00PM

Department of Health Point Plaza East, 310 SE Israel Rd. Tumwater, WA 98501

If you have any questions, please call Mike Kramer at (360) 236-4724

Committee Members Present: **Judy Personnett, RN, EdD., Chair; Richard Cooley, LPN; Marty Herriott, RN, ARNP; Shannon Fitzgerald, RN, MSN, ARNP, Pro-Tem; Jeanne Vincent, RN, MSN, ARNP, Pro-Tem**

AAG present: **Laura Williams, AAG**

Staff present: **Chuck Cumiskey, RN, BSN, Practice Program Manager;
Mike Kramer, Secretary Administrative**

Absent:

Guests present: **Joan Garner, MN, RN, Gail Thronsen,**

Lead: Judith Personett, Chair

Staff: Chuck Cumiskey, Nursing Practice Mgr
Mike Kramer, Secretary Administrative

Introductions

Voluntary sign up sheet

Minutes

Motion to approve July 14, 2004 and August 11, 2004 Practice Subcommittee Minutes / **Motion passed.**

1. Old Business:

ARNP Rule Revision project has been put into the Practice Work plan.
Project approved.

- A. Seizure Management Position Statement will be presented to the full commission on September 10, 2004. There have not been significant comments about the functionality of the statement presented to Chuck for comment.

The motion was made to obtain input from specialists in seizure management and pass on to the practice subcommittee. We will present the full commission with a recommendation to ratify the position statement. Motion passed.

- B. License Verification Policy-

The recommendation was made to rescind all written policies on License verification and to promote the use of the Health Professions Quality Assurance License Lookup System. A letter will be sent by the Chair of NCQAC to promote this position.

- C. The Commission has directed the Practice Subcommittee to revise and present a draft of the Interpretive Statements, Advisory Opinions, & Position Statements policy to the Commission when completed.

Chuck and Laura revised the draft of Interpretive Statements, Policy Statements and Position Statements and will present it at the October 13th Practice Subcommittee meeting.

- D. The Practice Subcommittee has clarified if it is appropriate LPNs to administer procedural sedation. (attached statement will go to commission for discussion and action)

The recommendation was made to keep the administration of procedural sedation should remain within the RN scope of practice. This will be presented at the upcoming commission meeting on September 10th. The recommendation was accepted.

2. New Business:

- A. Practice Subcommittee Work Plan for the 2004-2005 year. See attached document.

A recommendation was made that the work plan be revised annually or as the need arises. The recommendation was accepted.

- B. Review of Adopted Advisory Opinions and Interpretive statements.

- i. Scope of practice for WHCNP and treatment of men. (policy statement attached)
- ii. Scope of practice for Registered Nurses in regards to episiotomy. . (policy statement attached)
- iii. Scope of practice for Licensed Practical Nurses in regards to marking surgical site. . (policy statement attached)
- iv. Nursing Program Approval Process. (policy statement attached)

The Advisory Opinions and Interpretive Statements were presented for the Committee Members review.

3. The order of the agenda items maybe changed to accommodate presenters or other issues as needed.

- A. Schedule future meetings for the next four months / The next three practice sub-committee meetings are scheduled for October 13th, November 10th and December 8 at 3:00PM. The meetings will take place in PPE 131-A

There were no objections to the proposed dates and times for the upcoming Subcommittee meetings.

Action Summary:

Meeting adjourned at 3:47 PM.